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**TAMURA, Tomohiko**

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Examiner: **KESACK, Daniel**

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For: **E-MONEY MANAGING METHOD AND SYSTEM, E-MONEY MANAGING/HOLDING MEDIUM, COMPUTER-READABLE RECORDING MEDIUM IN WHICH E-MONEY MANAGING PROGRAM IS RECORDED, E-VALUE MANAGING/HOLDING MEDIUM, AND E-VALUE MANAGING METHOD**

**REQUEST FOR RETURN OF FORM PTO-1449**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

October 9, 2007

Sir:

An Information Disclosure Statement was filed on **October 24, 2005**. A copy of this Information Disclosure Statement is attached.

It is respectfully requested that the Examiner return a copy of the Form PTO-1449 which accompanies the Information Disclosure Statement, marked to indicate that the reference listed therein has been considered by the Office.

The Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned should he have any questions concerning this Request.

Respectfully submitted,  
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13 References



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Receipt is hereby acknowledged of the papers filed as indicated  
in connection with the above-identified case.

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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**  
**PURSUANT TO 37 CFR 1.97(b)**

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Sir:

The attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. One copy of each of these documents is attached, together with a copy of a Notice of Rejection from the Japanese Patent Office in the counterpart Japanese Patent Application (JP Appln. No. 2001-233508).

No fee or certification is required in connection with this Information Disclosure Statement, since it is being submitted prior to the issuance of a first official action on the merits or expiration of the three month period following the filing date or the entry of the national stage of the above-captioned application.

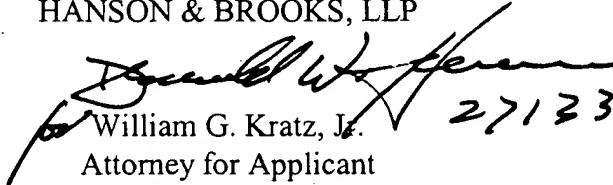
The above information is presented so that the Patent and Trademark Office can, in the first instance, determine any materiality thereof to the claimed invention. It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the

documents cited in the attached Form PTO-1449 be made of record therein and appear on the first page of any patent to issue therefrom.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge our Deposit Account No. 01-2340 for any fee which is deemed by the Patent and Trademark Office to be required to effect consideration of this statement.

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